

ENERGY PRODUCER STATES' AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS

2018 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill modifies provisions relating to the development of an agreement between energy producer states.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ modifies a reporting requirement for legislators appointed to work with legislators from other states to develop an energy producer states' agreement; and
- ▶ extends the repeal date applicable to a provision relating to the development of an agreement between energy producer states.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

36-12-20, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2014, Chapter 387

63I-1-236, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 192

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **36-12-20** is amended to read:

36-12-20. Development of proposed energy producer states' agreement --

Membership selection -- Agreements -- Goals -- Meetings -- Reports.

(1) The speaker of the House shall appoint two members of the House and the president of the Senate shall appoint two members of the Senate, of which no more than three of the four members shall be from the same political party, to study and work with legislative members of other energy producing states for the purpose of developing a proposed energy producer states' agreement.

(2) The proposed energy producer states' agreement shall have the following goals:

(a) to encourage domestic development of energy in the United States;

(b) to ensure the continued development of each state's domestic natural resources;

(c) to deliver a unified message to the federal government from energy producing states

by:

(i) participating in the development of proposed federal legislation and regulations; and

(ii) making recommendations regarding existing federal law and regulations including

the following:

(A) the Environmental Protection Act;

(B) the Endangered Species Act; and

(C) federal land access issues that affect the production of energy;

(d) to eliminate or reduce overly broad federal legislation; and

(e) to identify and address consequences of delays and cancellations of economically viable energy projects.

(3) Appointed members shall:

(a) produce a report with recommendations regarding an energy producer states' agreement; and

(b) present the report to the ~~[Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment]~~ Public Utilities, Energy, and Technology Interim Committee on or before November 30 of each year.

(4) Compensation and expenses of a member who is a legislator are governed by Section 36-2-2 and Legislative Joint Rules, Title 5, Legislative Compensation and Expenses.

(5) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff assistance as requested.

Section 2. Section **63I-1-236** is amended to read:

63I-1-236. Repeal dates, Title 36.

(1) Section 36-12-20 is repealed June 30, ~~[2018]~~ 2023.

(2) Sections 36-26-101 through 36-26-104 are repealed December 31, 2027.